

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of bridging a plurality of multicast domains, the method comprising:
 - enabling to transfer a multicast message, originating in a specific one of the domains, as a unicast message to at least another one of the domains;
 - enabling to regenerate the multicast message from the unicast message in the other domain.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the multicast message comprises a search message for discovery of a device or service.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein the multicast message comprises an announcement message for announcing presence of a device or service.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein at least part of the specific domain or the other domain forms part of a wireless network.
5. The method of claim 1, using IP multicasting.
6. The method of claim 1, wherein at least one of the domains has a UPnP architecture.
7. A unicast message on a data network, a multicast message being encapsulated in the unicast message.
8. A component for use with a multicast domain, the component being operative to encapsulate a multicast message, received from a multicast channel in the multicast domain, in a unicast message.
9. A component for use with a multicast domain, the component being operative to extract a multicast message from a unicast message for forwarding the multicast message to a multicast channel of the multicast domain.